

THE
STATUTES AT LARGE
THE UNITED STATES,

FROM

DECEMBER, 1873, TO MARCH, 1875,

AND

RECENT TREATIES, POSTAL CONVENTIONS, AND EXECUTIVE PROCLAMATIONS.

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CHAP. 415.—An act authorizing the Secretary of War to relinquish and turn over to the Interior Department parts of certain reservations in the Territory of Arizona as may be no longer required for military purposes.

June 22, 1874.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to relinquish and turn over to the Department of the Interior, for restoration to the public domain, such parts of what are known as the Fort Yuma, Fort Whipple, and Camp Date Creek reservations, in the Territory of Arizona, as may in the opinion of the Secretary of War, be no longer required for military purposes: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Interior shall expose the same at public offering for sale to the highest bidder in the legal subdivision not greater than one quarter section when the same can be made, and not below the minimum price provided by law. And any land left unsold at such offering to be held thereafter for disposal as other public lands. Notice of such public sale shall be published for sixty days in two newspapers each, one published in the capital of the Territory, and the other circulating nearest the place of sale: *Provided further*, That bona fide settlers, upon any part of said lands prior to the declaration of the reservation lines, shall have a right to acquire title to the lands so occupied by them at said time, not exceeding one hundred and sixty acres each, under the land-laws of the United States.

Approved, June 22, 1874.

CHAP. 416.—An act to extend the jurisdiction of the Light-House Board.

June 22, 1874.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Light House Board are hereby directed to cause examinations to be made, and to report to the Secretary of the Treasury what light-houses, lights, beacons, and buoys are required for the better security of navigation on the Mississippi, Ohio, and Missouri Rivers, including specific statement as to the respective localities where and by whom now maintained, where required, and estimated cost of their construction and maintenance.

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Approved, June 22, 1874.

CHAP. 417.—An act for the transfer of twenty condemned Bronze cannon for the erection of a statue to the late Major General George Gordon Meade.

June 22, 1874.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to transfer to the Fairmount Park Art Association (a corporation created by the laws of Pennsylvania) twenty condemned Bronze cannon to be used by the said association for the erection of a Bronze Equestrian statue to the late Major General George Gordon Meade within the limits of the City of Philadelphia.

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General Meade.

Approved, June 22, 1874.

CHAP. 418.—An act referring the claim of the owners of the schooner Ada A. Andrews to the Court of Claims.

June 22, 1874.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the claim of the legal owner or owners of the schooner Ada A. Andrews, her cargo, freight, and personal effects, alleged to have been sunk by collision with the United States vessel of war Ticonderoga on or about the first day of May, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, be referred to the Court of Claims to hear and determine the same to judgment, with right of appeal as in other cases: *Provided*, That no suit shall be brought under the provisions of this act after six months from the date of the passage thereof.

Claim of owners
of schooner Ada A.
Andrews referred to
Court of Claims.

Proviso.

Approved, June 22, 1874.